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September 25, 2020

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk/Administrator  
**Public Service Commission of South Carolina**  
101 Executive Center Drive  
Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated for  
Adjustment to Rates and Charges (See Commission Order No.  
2020-313)  
Docket No. 2020-125-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By letter of August 28, 2020, the Clerk's Office of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina transmitted the Second Revised Notice of Filing ("Notice") in the above-referenced docket to Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC") and instructed DESC to publish the Notice in newspapers of general circulation in the affected areas by September 14, 2020, and provide proof of publication on or before September 30, 2020. In compliance with the Clerk's Office's instructions contained within the September 14 letter, please find enclosed for filing the affidavits and tearsheets from the newspaper of general circulation in the affected areas as proof of publication of the required Notice.

By copy of this letter, we are serving the parties of record with a copy of the enclosed document.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Chad Burgess", written over a horizontal line.

K. Chad Burgess

KCB/kms  
Enclosures

cc: Alexander W. Knowles, Esquire  
Carri Grube-Lybarker, Esquire  
Roger P. Hall, Esquire  
Dorothy E. Jaffe, Esquire  
Emily W. Medlyn, Esquire  
Alexander Shissias, Esquire  
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## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

## CLERK'S OFFICE

**SECOND REVISED NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES****DOCKET NO. 2020-125-E**

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9/25/20

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**Aiken Standard**  
**The North Augusta Star**

Personally appeared before me the undersigned advertising clerk of the Aiken Standard, a seven day per week newspaper published in Aiken, South Carolina, and made oath in due form of law that the advertisement of

appeared in the issues of said newspaper on the following day(s):

09/02/20 Wed AS  
09/02/20 Wed ASW

SWORN and subscribed to before  
me today, 09/02/2020

Jennifer L. Mills

JENNIFER L. MILLS  
Notary Public, South Carolina  
My Commission Expires  
April 02, 2024



# AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

## The Post and Courier

State of South Carolina  
County of Charleston

Personally appeared before me the undersigned advertising clerk of the above indicated newspaper published in the city of Charleston, county and state aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, says that the advertisement of

(copy attached)

appeared in the issues of said newspaper on the following day(s):

09/01/20 Tue PC  
09/01/20 Tue CNW

at a cost of \$761.64

Order# 1893698  
P.O. Number:

Subscribed and sworn to before  
me this 15th day  
of September  
A.D. 2020

NOTARY PUBLIC, SC  
My commission expires

*[Signature]*  
advertising clerk

*[Signature]*  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
SHELLY DUBERRY  
My Comm. Exp. 09/24/2023  
SOUTH CAROLINA

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## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

### CLERK'S OFFICE

### SECOND REVISED NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND TESTIMONY DEADLINES

DOCKET NO. 2020-125-E

**Application of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. for Adjusted Rates and Charges (\*This filing includes a request for an increase to retail electric rates and charges. Commission Order No. 2020-313.)**

On August 14, 2020, Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC" or the "Company") filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") requesting proposed adjustments, changes, and increases in its rates, charges and tariffs for retail electric service (the "Application") with an effective filing date of August 15, 2020. The Application was filed pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. §§58-27-820, 58-27-860, and 58-27-870 (2015, as amended), Commission Order No. 103-823 (2012), and other applicable laws and rules.

According to the Application, the proposed rates and charges represent an overall increase of approximately \$178 million or 7.75%.

Costs associated with the abandoned V.C. Summer Units 2 & 3 construction project are included in the rates requested in this Application.

At its August 26, 2020, Commission Business Meeting, the Commission issued a decision, in part, "... Dominion shall maintain the historical test period as 12-months ended December 31, 2019, and that Dominion is further required to use its historical test period results for known and measurable changes as of September 30, 2019."

DESC has not sought a rate increase for base electric rates since 2012 exclusive of the recovery of costs and revenues associated with demand side management programs and other rider-based charges. Since that time, DESC has made continued investments in assets and operating resources required to maintain the safety, reliability, and efficiency of its system; and, in addition, it has implemented increasingly stringent reliability, security and environmental requirements. The Application also states that since the close of the prior test year, DESC's costs of providing retail electric service to its customers have increased. The Application also states the Consumer Price Index, as issued by the United States Department of Labor Statistics, shows producer prices have increased by approximately 1.5% since the close of the prior test year. As a result of these and other changes, which are set forth in the Application, DESC states its current rates and charges are not sufficient to allow it to recover its actual cost of providing electric service to its customers, net of the cost of the debt and equity capital invested in the electric system.

### DOMINION RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - RATE CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATE EXAMPLE

	Current
1000 kWh per month (Before Tax Rider)	\$126.18
1000 kWh per month (After Tax Rider)	\$122.31

The Application further proposes

- to create a vegetation management accrual to establish a stable base for future vegetation control plans that are necessary to ensure resiliency in storms and safe and reliable operation of DESC's distribution and transmission system;
- to restore collection of the Storm Damage Reserve component of rates;
- to make certain changes in its General Terms and Conditions for Retail Electric Service;
- to discontinue an experimental commercial rate, Rate 21A, Experimental Residential Service Time-of-Use Demand;
- to revise and update the standards under Residential Rate 6 - Energy Savings Rate;
- to reduce the rate collected under its Demand Side Management program (DSM Rider) from the current rate of 0.00220 \$/kwh for residential customers to an adjusted rate of 0.00158 \$/kwh;
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**If the Application or Petition in this case contains a request for adjustment of rates, the rates are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the pendency of this case.**

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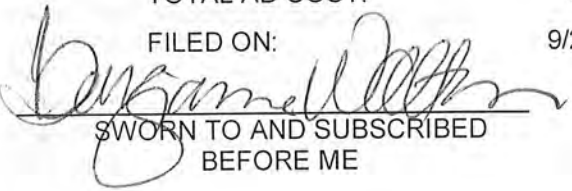
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DOMINION RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - RATE 8  
CURRENT AND PROPOSED RATE EXAMPLE

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